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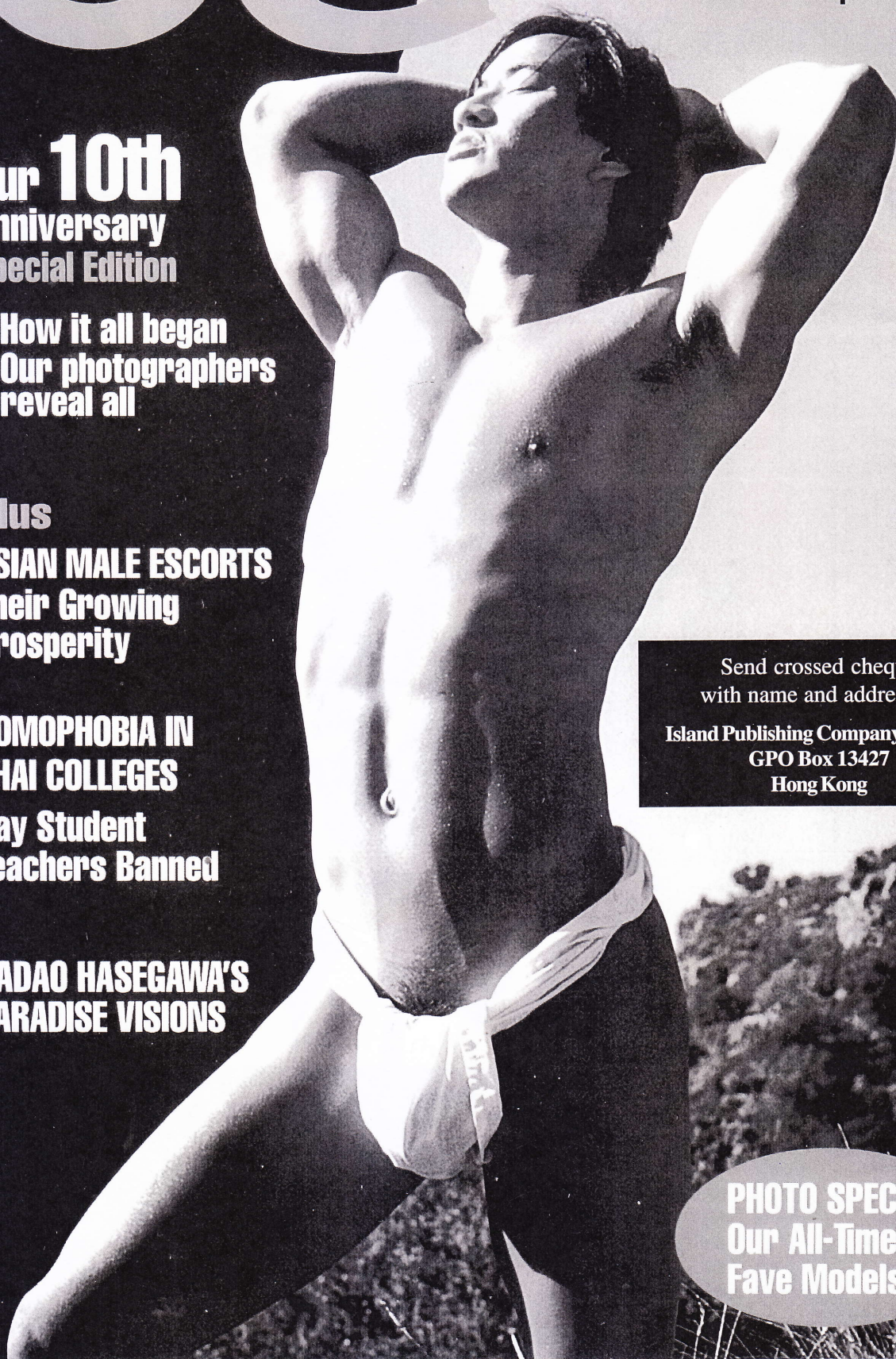
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World News in Review

More Gay news emerged from around the world in 1997 than ever before — and most of it was, alas, bad news.

Although it is dangerous to generalise and explanations are difficult when the topic is the entire planet we cannot but reflect that 1997 brought more than it's share of troubles for Gay people. Elsewhere in this issue are details of how they fared during the year.

The Internet has made the planet a much smaller place. Gay activists in Guatemala City, Hong Kong, Kiev and Santiago now know all about the latest successes in Amsterdam, Copenhagen, San Francisco and Sydney — and they are demanding the same things. Inspired by what they read when they log on, Gays and Lesbians in the most far-flung of places are filing lawsuits, marching, and coming out in the local media. The Internet is the most important organising resource the Gay cause has seen.

Major news services are increasingly carrying routine Gay news, and newspapers and broadcast outlets across the planet are increasingly picking up the stories. Visibility is a small step, but a step nevertheless, on the road to equality and a powerful synergism between visibility and news coverage is taking place, world-wide.

Would then that we could report that much has happened in Hong Kong! Perhaps we're being unfair? After all we did have that spectacular, very much stage-managed, Handover affair when the eyes (so it seemed to many of us at the time) of the entire world were centred on every tiny, not to say infinitesimal, aspect of everyday life in Hong Kong.

So we'll restrain ourselves and abstain from passing comment on progress, or the lack of it, until the end of 1998. By then perhaps, just perhaps, we'll be able to announce that major advances have been achieved for all Hong Kong's Gay people.

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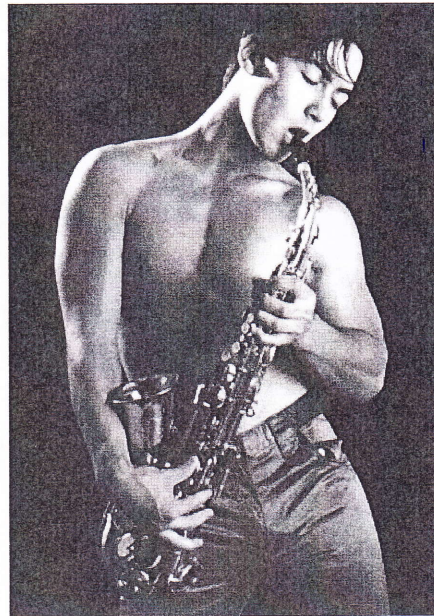
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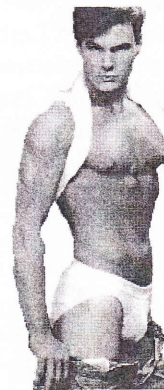


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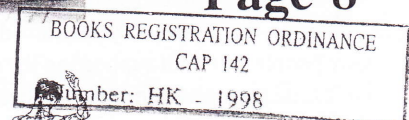
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Scene Around 香港

By
Patrick
& Friends

Tongzhi Conference will be held 5 - 8 February 1997 in Hong Kong and promises to be an exciting time for Chinese Gay people. Lesbians and Gays from 14 countries have so far registered for the conference. People from Australia, Canada, China, France, Italy, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Norway, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, UK, and USA. More Tongzhi from Taiwan are joining according to a recent press release.

From Hong Kong, The HK Christian Group Blessed Ministry has several members taking part as has Horizons and the Joint College Queer Union (JCQU). M.C.'s will be Celion King (originally from China, now residing in Hong Kong), who will co-host the opening ceremony with the notorious David Man. AIDS groups, AIDS Concern and the HIV Drop-In Centre are expected to attend.

A Tongzhi Book Exhibition has been confirmed to be held in parallel on Feb. 2-12, at Parks Bookstore, Flat A, Rex House, 648, Nathan Road, Mongkok, phone 2787 7988. * Tongzhi means Gay in Chinese it has recently been adopted by a small section of the local Gay community to describe all things Gay.

It's less than two months since the grand opening of what has been labelled HK's premier Gay club so its' particularly sad to see that Propaganda have closed the restaurant and now open Monday to Saturday. Whilst it was clear that Gay people were not supporting the restaurant surely a few weeks isn't time enough to know whether it would work? Given that the management of Propaganda has always insisted that good market research is essential what went wrong? And what's happening to the old premises that we were assured would open before Chinese New Year as a Gay bistro?

Will you help the Gay community Awards by taking a few moments to complete the questionnaire on page 16? All responses by 28th February, please.

As usual we shall be taking our annual break in February. The next issue of Contacts Magazine will be published Mid-March. Meanwhile we take this opportunity to wish all Gay people everywhere Kung Hei Fat Choy! And a very prosperous Year of the Tiger.

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Annual Gay Awards 1997-98

CATEGORIES

Can you spare a few moments? We want know what are the high-spots of Gay life in Hong Kong. Please help by filling in the form with your choice-please only one nominantion in each category!

(1) Person who has done most for the Gay community _____

(2) Best Gay group _____

(3) Most visible Gay person _____

(4) Best bartender _____

(5) Best Gay film _____

(6) Best Gay restaurant _____

(7) Best Drag artist _____

(8) Cruisest gym _____

(9) Best Gay bar _____

(10) Best Gay disco _____

Let us have the form (only one per person please!) by Friday 27th February. Winners will be published in Contacts Magazine.

Free prizes in the Grand Draw! The first 20 forms to be drawn will win a free prize.

Please complete name and address so that we can include YOUR form in the Grand Draw.

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Australia

New figures from Australia's 1996 census show that 19,722 same-sex couples declared themselves as such — about one-fourth of one percent of the population. The state/territory breakdown was New South Wales, 8,913 couples; Victoria, 4,613; Queensland, 2,500; Western Australia, 1,561; South Australia, 1,254; the Australian Capital Territory, 538; Tasmania, 256 and the Northern Territory, 137. Sydney is in New South Wales and Melbourne is in Victoria. The main cities elsewhere are Brisbane, Queensland; Perth, Western Australia; Adelaide, South Australia; Canberra, ACT; Hobart, Tasmania; and Darwin, Northern Territory.

America

"All America loses when any person is denied or forced out of a job because of sexual orientation. Being Gay, the last time I thought about it, seemed to have nothing to do with the ability to read a balance book, fix a broken bone or change a spark plug." *President Bill Clinton in a November 1997, at the Gay Human Rights Campaign's national dinner.*

Philippines

OUTGOING Armed Forces Chief of Staff Gen. Arnulfo Acedera paid tribute and bade farewell to his troops yesterday as he offered his apologies to sectors, including the Church and gay community, whom he said he may have offended in his more than one year stint as the country's top military man. The AFP gave a testimonial parade for Acedera, who turned 56 yesterday, at he AFP Grandstand in Camp Aguinaldo in Quezon City. Acedera stepped as AFP chief of staff on Jan. 1 1998 was replaced by Army Chief Gen. Clemente Mariano. In his speech, Acedera said he was aware that he may have offended some sectors, including politicians, clergy and the gay community in the course of "(standing his) ground on several issues concerning the soldier and the AFP." "Perhaps I was right, perhaps I was wrong," he said. "If I have hurt anyone or any sector, I take this open occasion to offer my sincere apologies to them." Saying that he holds these sectors with respect, Acedera assured them that he confronted the issues involving them with a "clean heart." "As they say, 'Walang personalan, trabaho lang po ito,'" he said. This as he hinted anew that he may run for a seat in Congress. Acedera earlier incurred the wrath of the gay community for saying they were not welcome in the military. He also got the ire of politicians and the Church for his statements against the Sept. 21 protest rally against the government move to amend the Constitution. The AFP chief had called on the people to stay away from the rally, claiming leftist groups may bomb the occasion and blame this act on the military. The Sept. 21 rally in Luneta went on peacefully. ###

Progay-Philippines

UK

A third of all new recruits to the London Ambulance Service are gay or lesbian, the service's gay group told *The Pink Paper*. "The ambulance service is one of the caring professions and so it is naturally bound to attract a higher-than-average number of gays and lesbians," said group co-founder Bill O'Neill.

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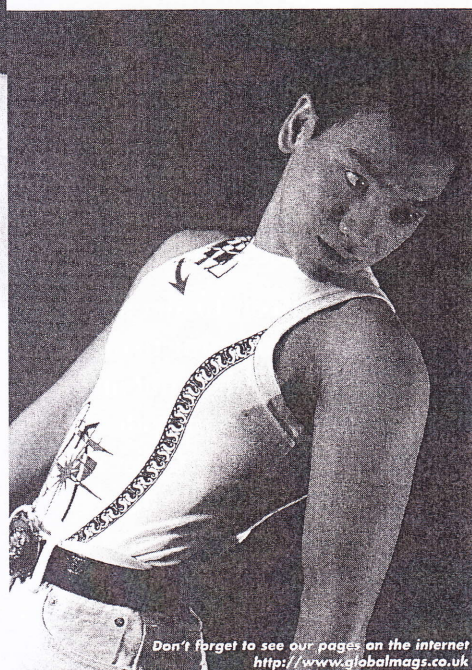
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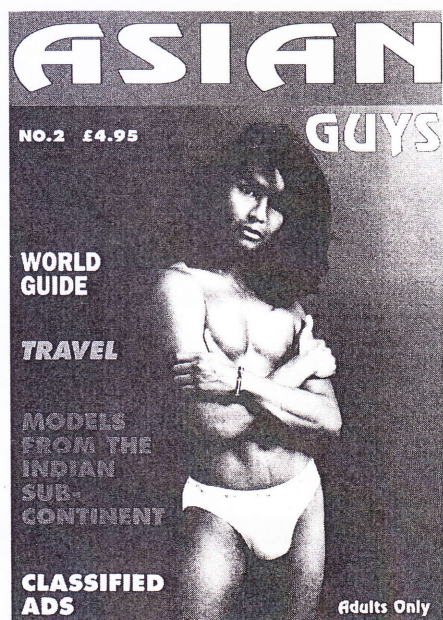
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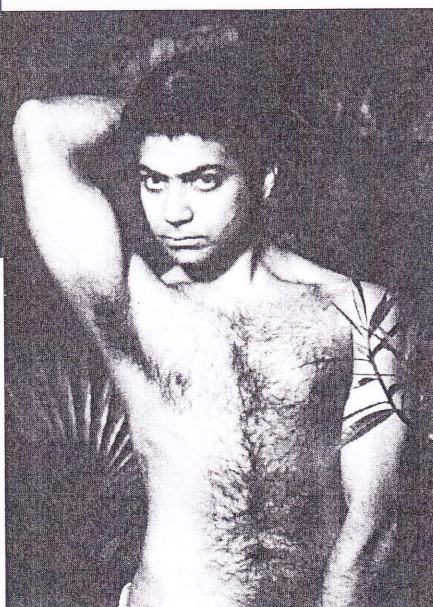
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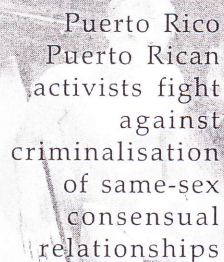
1997 A Year to Remember? By Sydney Levy
Research and Advocacy Director International
Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission

As 1997 drew to an end, we reviewed some of the cases that came to our notice all throughout the year. This is not an exhaustive list, but hopefully it will provide a window into the work that Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender activists are courageously carrying out in different parts of the world.

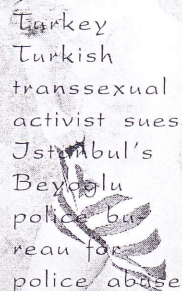
Argentina Despite Rosario anti-discrimination ordinance, Gays, Lesbians, and Transgender people continue to be target of abuse. Transgender women and Gay men targeted for police abuse in Mendoza. December 29, 1997 has been designated by GLBT Argentinean activists as "Travesti Day".



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Major
Gay law
reform in
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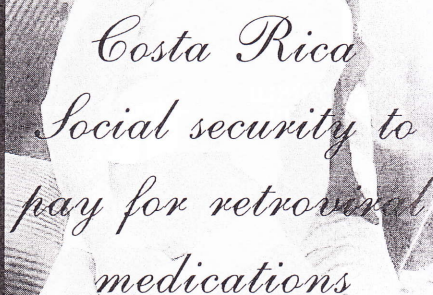
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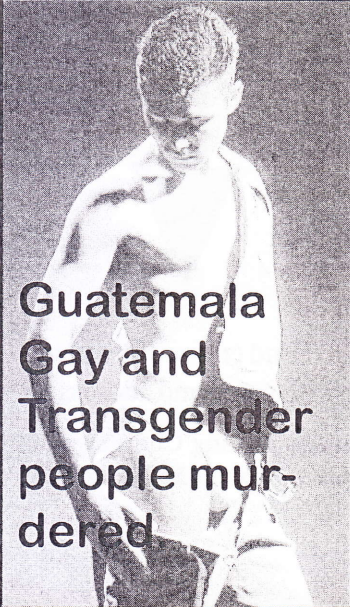
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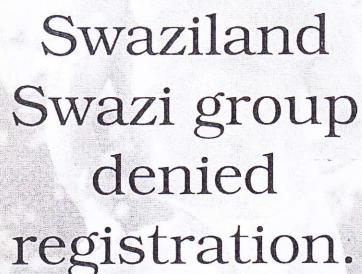
Korea (South)
Authorities
closed down
Gay and
Lesbian film
festival.



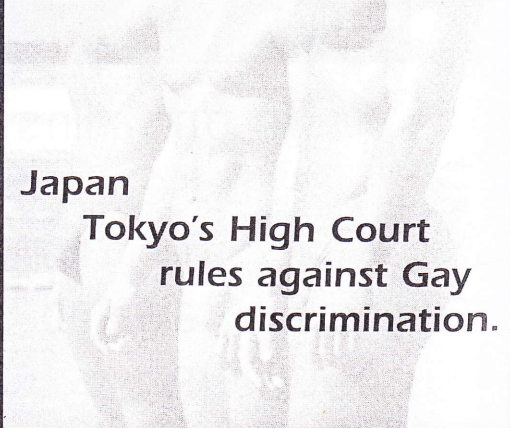
*Costa Rica
Social security to
pay for retroviral
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Guatemala
Gay and
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people murdered



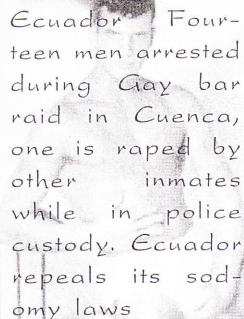
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Swazi group
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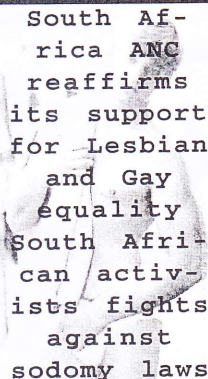
Japan
Tokyo's High Court
rules against Gay
discrimination.



China Gay bar raided in Guang Zhou
Director of Chinese Gay film denied passport



Ecuador Fourteen men arrested during Gay bar raid in Cuenca, one is raped by other inmates while in police custody. Ecuador repeals its sodomy laws



South Africa ANC reaffirms its support for Lesbian and Gay equality
South African activists fight against sodomy laws



United Kingdom European Commission on Human Rights rules against unequal age of consent. Home Office recognises same sex couples in its immigration rules

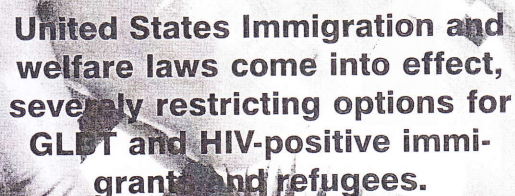


Thailand Gays and Lesbians banned from enrolling in teacher training schools.

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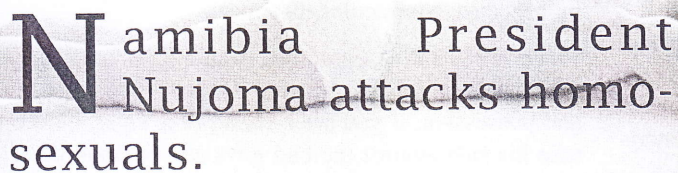


Zimbabwe Gay group's offices raided, anti-Gay rhetoric continues. Lutheran Church of The Netherlands boycotting meeting in Zimbabwe.

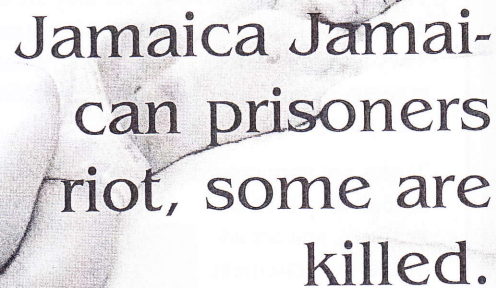


United States Immigration and welfare laws come into effect, severely restricting options for GLBT and HIV-positive immigrant and refugees.

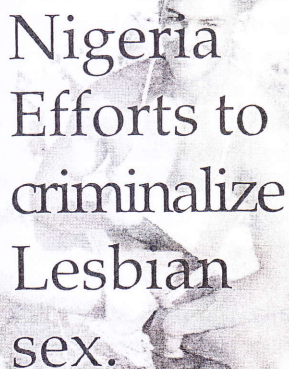
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Namibia President Nujoma attacks homosexuals.



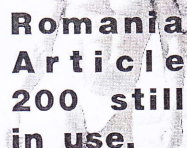
Jamaica Jamaican prisoners riot, some are killed.



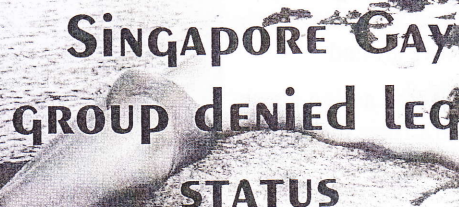
Nigeria Efforts to criminalize Lesbian sex.



Russia Gay bar raided.



Romania Article 200 still in use.



SINGAPORE GAY GROUP DENIED LEGAL STATUS

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Pow-erful

“Born leader”

is the key word for the Tigers. They are always in the lead and are most likely the ones to cry out “Let’s Go”! Noble and Fearless, Tigers are respected for their courage, even from those working against them.

Tiger people are daring fighters, they are capable of standing up to the bitter end for what they think is right. Although they can be selfish from time to time in the little things, they are capable of great generosity. Tigers are unpredictable, always tense. and like to be in a hurry.

Tigers are difficult to resist, for they are magnetic characters and their natural air of authority confers a certain prestige on them. They are tempestuous yet calm, warm-hearted yet fearsome, courageous in the face of danger yet yielding and soft in mysterious, unexpected places.

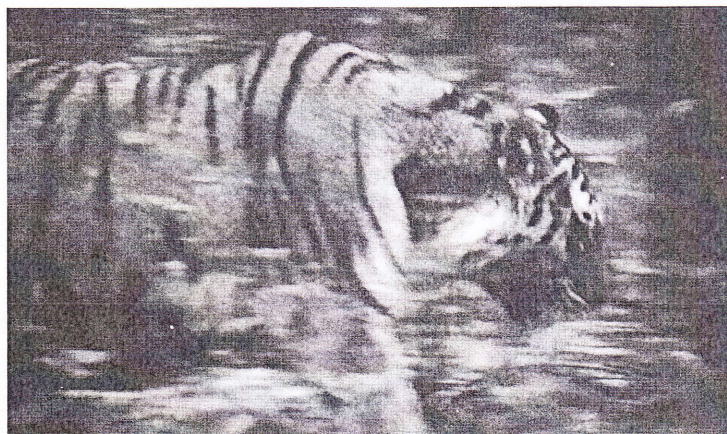
Tigers are very confident, perhaps too much so sometimes. Although they love adventures, and are addicted to excitement it is better not to challenge a Tiger’s confidence. They like being obeyed and not the other way around.

If you assign a task to a Tiger, the job will be undertaken and accomplished with enthusiasm and effi-

Tiger

ciency, they are hard-working and dynamic. Tigers make money, but they are not directly interested in money. Still, the Tiger need not worry about money: just when he fears the money is gone, more seems to miraculously appear.

Tigers are sensitive, emotional people. They are capable of great love, but they may become too intense. They are also territorial and possessive, if you are a friend of a Tiger, he wants you to take his side against the bad guys and because the Tiger is so adorable, you often do. As lovers, Tigers are passionate and romantic, but the real challenge for the Tiger is to grasp the true meaning of moderation.



The Year Ahead For the Tigers, the year of Tiger will be a stable but cautious year. Pay attention to your finance, and definitely avoid loaning any money to your friends - this will only bring troubles and problems into your friendship. If you are a restless driver, slow down when you drive. Romance is on your way in February, go out and socialise a little more, and you’ll be happy you did. August is your best month, put a little more effort into your work, the result will be rewarding. ■

同志劇場不只是給同志看的

專訪郭立熹

「黎啦喂兄弟劇團」是以同志題材作為賣點，由九六年的「雲與兄弟情」，「床、上、戲」，以至剛於九七年底推出的「雙春震武林」這齣奇情古裝武俠劇都各具創作特色。今次我們有幸能請「雙」片的導演郭立熹談談他對這片的看法。

有很多人認為同志劇場的觀眾全是同志，但有些思想開明的異性戀者也會捧場，郭就是希望證明這點。「比例上，大約有20%的觀眾不是同志。」郭根據收集回來約五十多份問卷說。入座率方面，三部作品都有不錯的成績。首兩部的入座率分別有98%及75%，而「雙」片亦有75%，郭稱「雙」片的部份門票是贈券。

「我們曾檢討，認為觀眾未能

聯想古裝片至現實。」郭解釋入座率下降的原因，雖然「雙」片在宣傳時強調城度出發，而不是傳統武故事，但這點是要觀眾購票入場才能領會的。郭還補充整體市道亦欠佳，同期於文化中心舉行的中國戲劇節亦只有四成入座。

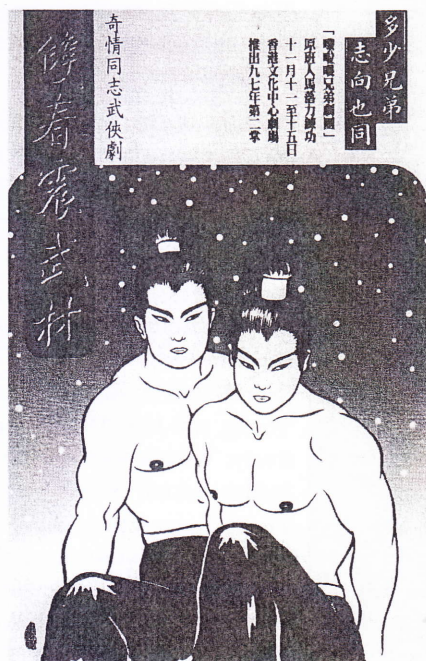
談到劇的創作部份，筆者問郭怎樣看另類這個詞。他認為「雙」片另類的意思是將觀眾由一個空間帶到另一個空間。「最初我還誤會是姚姣突然撲向觀眾那幕！」創作是源自郭所認識的歷史文化，加上想像力及相當的娛樂性，再配以新的表達形式推出。「我深信有人就已經有同性愛。」郭說。

「雙」片的背景設計亦充滿心思。據郭稱，大戲幻燈是中國一種沒有好好發展的寶貴傳統。大家在看戲時有否留意背景板是由四幅手繪的大幻燈片組成？其中一幕黃山日落景最令人難忘，郭說是專程為此劇訂做的。道具方面，「雙」片

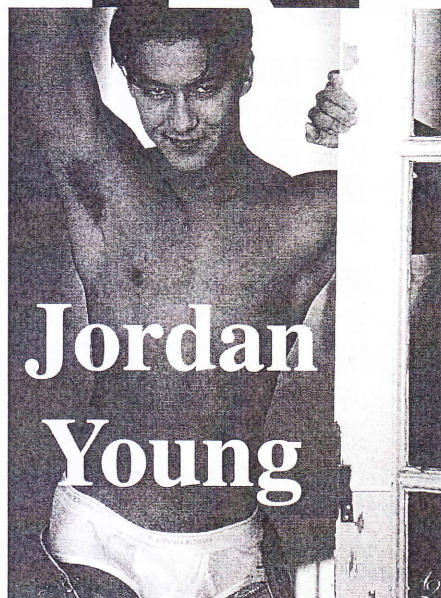
亦行簡單化路線，不浪費道具是值得讚的。再者由盆栽下加上滾輪而做成的旋轉石林景，構成一個似夢迷離的環境，氣氛很好。

至於「雙」片演員的表現，筆者較喜歡那對師姊妹（韋清及媚若詩）的對話。情節尚算緊湊，唯本人覺得一場眾人爭論棒是直還是彎時有些突兀，與前後段的表達手法截然不同。開首吸毒這場戲亦見心思。「主角的腳內側受傷，非常接近他的陽具。我最不喜歡被人挑戰，因為如果要挑戰我，我倒不如先保護自己。」郭說，因為這個理由所以他寧願先向別人說「雙」片是三級片。

郭給自己在誠意及創作方面有75分。三個多月的創作階段是他最難忘的。筆者希望他日後更加努力創作出更多更好的劇目給我們看。



M A N



**Jordan
Young**

OF THE MONTH

Quoted from an interview

By Ryan Thomas
in Hot Male Review

Jordan's the up-and-cumming Amerasian stud who's the best bottom to grace Gay porndom since Joey Stefano. A sweet, angelic face coupled with a well-defined swimmer's body is the winning combination: Jordan oozes a rare mixture of innocence and sensuality, on-screen as well as off.

Jordan's list of credits is as equally impressive as his looks and talent. He has modelled for Banana Republic, Calvin Klein, Lord & Taylor, Club Monaco, Joe Boxer, and Levi-Strauss. He has been in films for Falcon, Mustang, Studio 200, VCA, Jim Steele, Catalina, All Worlds Video—and the list keeps growing!

Jordan turned 21 on May 25th 1997. There were lots and lots of porn boys and drag queens at the soiree... A few of my favourites (besides Jordan, of course) who came to join in the fun included Matt Bradshaw, Gianfranco, Ryan Wagner, and Brett Winters. Jordan and Sam were the perfect hosts.

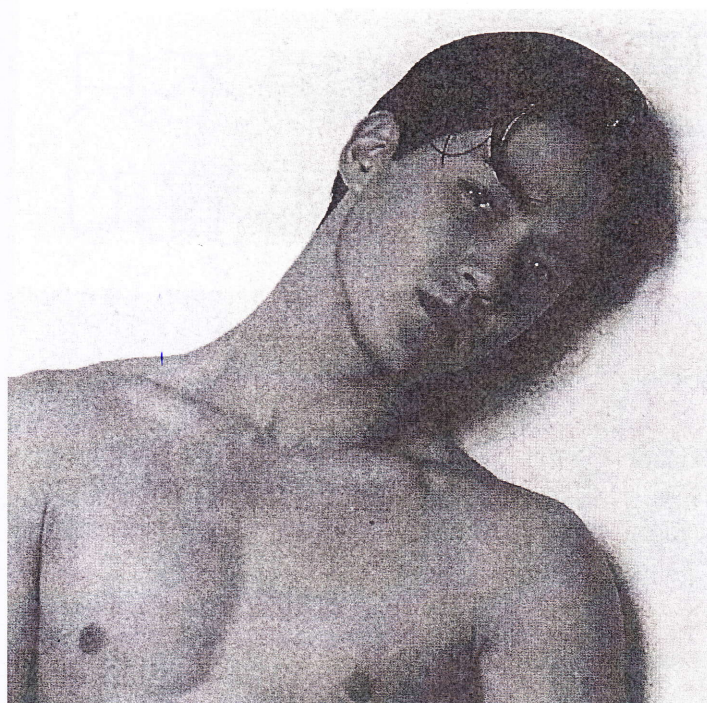
Jordan has been doing shows and making videos left and right... In early January, my boyfriend and I were at the taping of *Hardcore*, a new All Worlds Video release, written by Jordan himself and directed by the fiercest of drag directors, Chi Chi LaRue. After the video was finished, Jordan and the gang went on to San Francisco and Hawaii for tapings of more videos.

Jordan appeared with Jake Andrews at the Black Party in New York City. When I asked if he stripped, Jordan said, "This was the Black Party... no stripping there. It's LIVE



SEX!" Wish I could have been there... While in NYC, Jordan interviewed Johnny Hanson for Skinflicks. Jordan also managed to fit a photo shoot for All Man into his busy schedule.

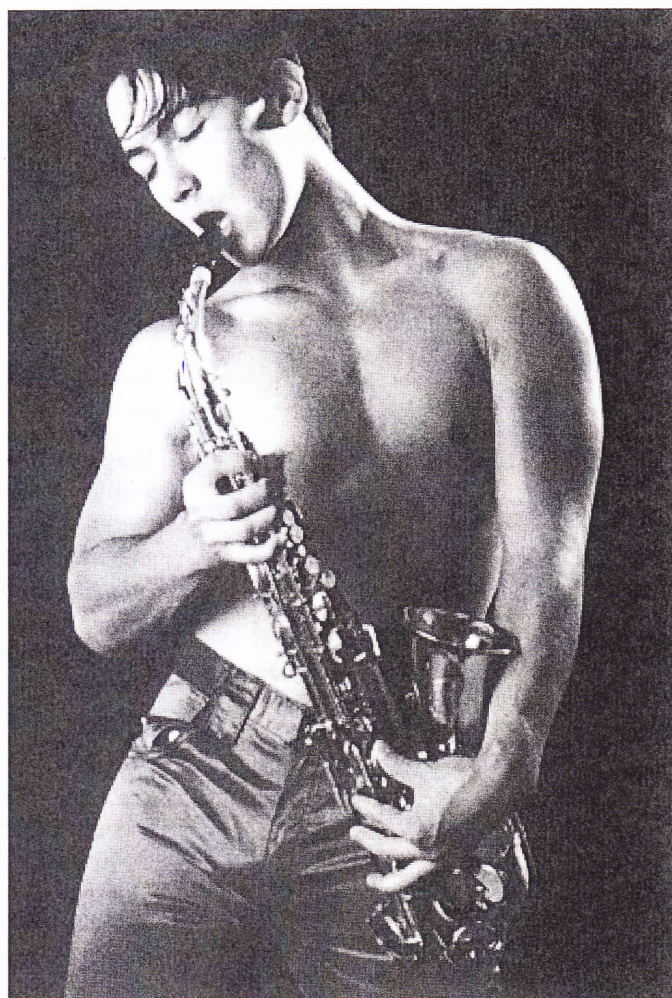
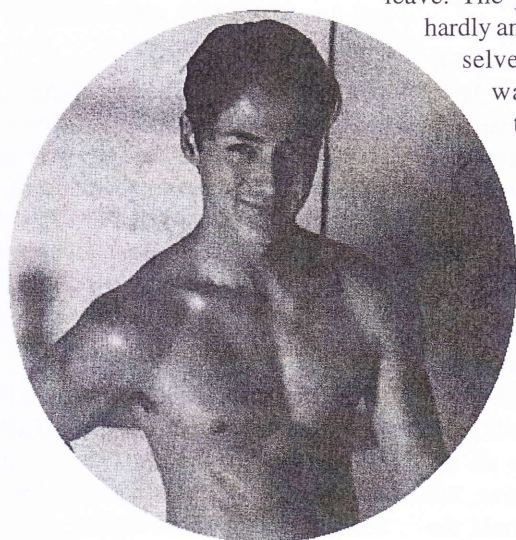
Outrage was the operative word at the Gay Video Guide's Fifth Annual Gay Erotic Video Awards, held at the Hollywood Palladium in December. Jordan was up for - count 'em - four awards: Best Supporting Actor, Best Bottom, Best Newcomer, and Best Screenplay but lost to Scott Baldwin, Adam Wilde, Kurt Young, and Jerry Douglas, respectively. What's wrong with me?!" Jordan asked. Nothing's wrong. Those judges just need a good spanking. And you can watch while I do it! Kudos to all the winners but you can't tell me that Jordan shouldn't have got one award—



Best Bottom, at the very least! There was speculation that because Jordan is a roommate with the (in)famous director, Chi Chi LaRue, the judges didn't want to appear partial to him. Hey, that's all fine and good but you went to far the other direction, guys! Too bad, 'cause Jordan was looking real spiffy with a new blond 'do and matching suit.

All the stars and industry big wigs were there at director extraordinaire Chi Chi La Rue's fabulous birthday bash in November. Director Jerry Douglas flew in from NYC. Falcon Videos' owner and founder Chuck Holmes, was also present. Chi Chi was all smiles and chit chatted all night long. I knew I just had to go to this party since Jordan is Chi Chi's roommate. I quickly asked for some photos, chatted for a minute or two, and took my

leave. The poor boys had hardly any time to themselves and I didn't want to intrude too much. Good luck in love and work, boys.



FILMS

Inches Away

(1996)

Naked Truth

(1996)

Ambush

(Metro Inc., 1996)

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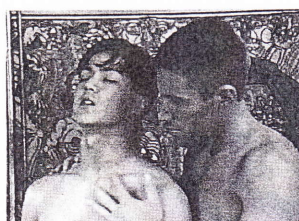
(Dirk Yates/All Worlds Video, 1996)

Rescue 69-11

(Hard As Steel Productions/Vivid Video, 1996)

Total Corruption II: One Night in Jail

(Chi Chi LaRue/HIS Video, 1996)



Lost in Vegas

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(Odyssey Men Video, 1996)

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(1996)



Out On the Net

WEB PAGE GRAPHICS

By Spode

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Hello again! Many of you are now creating your own personal web pages. You may be looking for some appropriate icons, buttons, clip art, and other graphics. Some of you look like you could use some advice.

TIPS FOR GRAPHICS First of all, remember that a few graphics can be very effective, but having a lot of images just causes confusion, and can really frustrate someone using a slow modem. So keep things simple - pick out a small number of graphics which you really like, and forget about the rest.

All your graphics should be in GIF or JPG format. If you have one in some other format which you want to use, you need to convert it first. GIF works best for line drawings, clip art, and other images which have large sections of the same colour. JPG works best for complicated graphics and photographs.

Many graphics programs can reduce the file size of an image by reducing the 'colour table'. This works by only including information in the file about the colours actually used in that image - instead of all 256 basic colours. So take a look at your paint program and reduce.

An animated GIF file can be very nice, but consider setting it to 'loop' 3 times or less. That way people visiting your page won't have to see the same animation continuing forever.

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QUEER IMAGES Several people have created gay and lesbian-oriented graphics for

the Web, and made them available to others.

The "Rainbow Icon Archive" (<http://www.enqueue.com/ria/>) is the most extensive and well-organised collection of LGB graphics on the Internet. You must have Javascript enabled to browse. You can also learn the history of the different symbols in use. Especially nice is that the icons are packaged for you in ZIP format, so you can download them in sets and decompress them on your hard drive.

For a local archive, with a pretty fast response time, check out "Spiderwoman's Collections of Queer, AIDS Icons" (<http://www.hku.hk/ssrc/mabel/gif/gifqueer.html>). The page shows all the graphics squeezed to the same size. Put your mouse pointer over one, hold the button down, and select 'Open This Image' from the pop-up menu to see what it really looks like.

The graphics at <http://www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/2312/icons.htm> are quite good. I especially like the 3D lesbian symbol near the bottom of the page.

A basic set of graphics, with explanations, can be found at <http://www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/1769/history.html>

"Create A Gay Web Page" (<http://www.mindspring.com/~krazydog/gayweb.htm>) includes bullets, ribbons, buttons, lines, and some good backgrounds. I found a thin rainbow line I had

not seen anywhere else. All of the icons are really there, but the author screwed up his/her links - just view the page source, and use ALLCAPS versions of the file names to see each image.

Don't forget the "Lesbian Arts and Fun" pages at <http://www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/1606/> There are some great Womyn's coloring books here, too. A subpage is the excellent "BFM's Lesbian & Gay Web Graphics" (<http://www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/1606/bfmicons.html>) which includes some great backgrounds.

Other collections include Bear Icons (<http://www.skepsis.com/gblo/bears/CLIPART/>), More Bear Icons (http://esther.la.asu.edu/personnel/ramsey/bear_ca.html), and the Gallery of Leather Clip Art (<http://www.guypages.com/leatherclipart/leathart.shtml>).

GENERAL ICON COLLECTIONS For more general graphics, explore Yahoo's links at http://www.yahoo.com/Computers_and_Internet/Multimedia/Pictures/Clip_Art/ and the huge set of clip art links at <http://www.ability.org.uk/clip.html> Some of the most popular web graphic collections can be found on a local server at <http://library.ust.hk/test/library/> Have fun!

previous columns can be read at
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Guy
Escort ★ Masseur
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Handsome. Charismatic. Companion with a Sexy Swimmer's Body

Her long blonde hair disheveled, and nurses whites creased, Kate walked slowly up the footpath, sorting the mail. Stifling a yawn, she pushed open the front door, cheerfully calling "I'm home darling! Where are you?" Trying the kitchen first, she found Jill there, hunched over the computer keyboard, oblivious to everything around her. Kate flopped into a chair, kicked off her shoes, and to attract Jill's attention, excitedly waved a purple envelope in front of the screen.

Jill looked up, distracted now. "Sorry love. Didn't hear you come in. I've been working on this bloody assignment all day!" She took off her glasses, rubbed her eyes, and stretched luxuriously. "I'm pleased you're home. I need a break. Coffee?" She pushed back her chair and stood up to fill the jug. "Tell me about the envelope." "Well..... a few weeks ago, just after we moved in, I contacted the local Lesbian group, left our address, and asked to be put on their mailing list. You know, just so we could meet some women and not feel quite so isolated". Kate proceeded to open the envelope, as Jill swung round from the bench. "You did what? Aren't you happy with my company?"

"Of course I am. I love you, and want what we have, but I don't want to exclude other people. Mixing can only enhance our lives. Give us other interests".

"We don't have much time to be gadding about, what with your crazy shifts, and my study we're flat out seeing each other!" Jill busied herself getting the mugs down.

"Listen to this Jill, we are invited to attend a dance - a costume dance. Doesn't that sound fantastic?"

Jill paused, coffee in hand, spoon held aloft, anxiety clouding her face. "A dance! A fair dinkum, women only, lesbian dance? Forget it Kate! Hell! I don't think I could go to one, I'd be too nervous. Anyway, I can't dance, andsomeone might recognize me. I don't wear dresses, and I can't....."

Kate stood, and hugged her friend, interrupting the rush of words. "Hey! What happened to that confident woman, who persuaded me to run away and live with her?"



The Country Girl

By Judy Irvine

I certainly don't anticipate spending the rest of my life in a closet.

"Cut it out Kate! That was different. That decision involved us. This is declaring ourselves publicly. I'm not ready for that yet."

"Then the issue is your unwillingness to acknowledge your sexual preference, isn't it? Those other excuses have nothing to do with it" Kate's voice rose, as she continued to define Jill's

problems. "Tell me, do you plan to hide for long?" She stepped back, folded her arms, intent on getting her point across. "If so, please tell me now. I certainly don't anticipate spending the rest of my life in a closet. That would quickly kill everything between us."

"It's alright for you Katie. You've felt good about yourself since you were a kid, and your parents accepted you too. I grew up on a farm in a small community, where everyone was expected to conform. I always had to suppress my emotions. In fact, had I not met you at the local hospital when my horse threw me, I probably would never have allowed myself to become close to anyone. However my whole life changed then, and I wanted us to start a new life away from prying eyes, that's why I decided we'd come to the city."

"Even more reason to go to this dance Jill," said Kate, no longer angry; just determined. This is part of our new life. No more hiding! No more suppression! Now, let's drink our coffee, and then I'll teach you some dance steps".

With Thanks to lesbian network

書評

By Patrick Fok



想不到這位網路作家對人性之間的描繪真有一手。

主題作品「小摩」也許是你和我，甚至是作者本身都曾經喜歡過，但卻又沒有真愛過的夢中「直」人。作者從兒時鄰居對小摩的感情關係說起，相當浪漫。故事中有一段令人難以忘懷：「如

果說靈慾交融的性愛是法國大餐，那麼純粹慾望的性就是清粥小菜，兩者各有可口之處，也不需要因為有大餐可吃就非得放棄小菜，當然，在吃小菜時候，絕對絕對不等於否定大餐的美味。」這樣自圓其說，性比愛真的是重要些嗎？

不要被「紀事本末」這名字嚇怕，最初筆者還認為是個學長與學弟的愛情故事，但發覺加入了晶這角色後更令文章生色不少。「鹿物語」中記述了相當多主角和鹿的對話，抽象中洋溢著村上春樹的味道。這篇文章更能令我開始相信，愛一個人除了要甘心成為他的寵物外，還要被他用環鎖頸，還要用鐵鍊拖著行走。

20歲的青年在ASK筆下嘗試換伴這玩意，「20 ANS」中描寫兩對情人換伴前後的關係非常細緻。原本三言兩語已可交待，但作者寫來又不覺冗長，真是巧妙。但是，筆者總覺得「世紀婚禮」有很多堆砌的情節，不必要之餘亦令人感到無聊。劇中人這樣鋪張，正式是為了結婚而結婚，這更比很多異性愛的婚禮更之而俗套，令人摸不著頭腦。

值得一提的是「都是同性戀惹的禍」，原著和劇本都各具特色，但略嫌劇場版的枝節太多，有些場景的连接亦沒有交待。但若真的在劇場看時，感覺是不同的。

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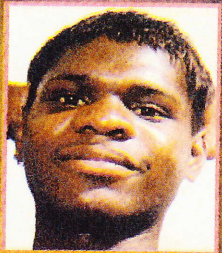


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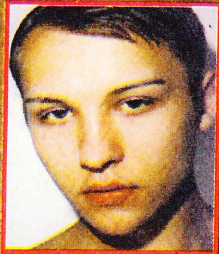
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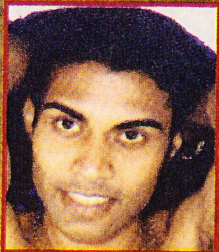
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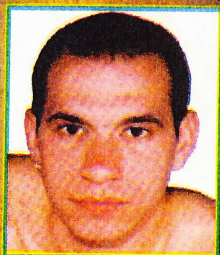
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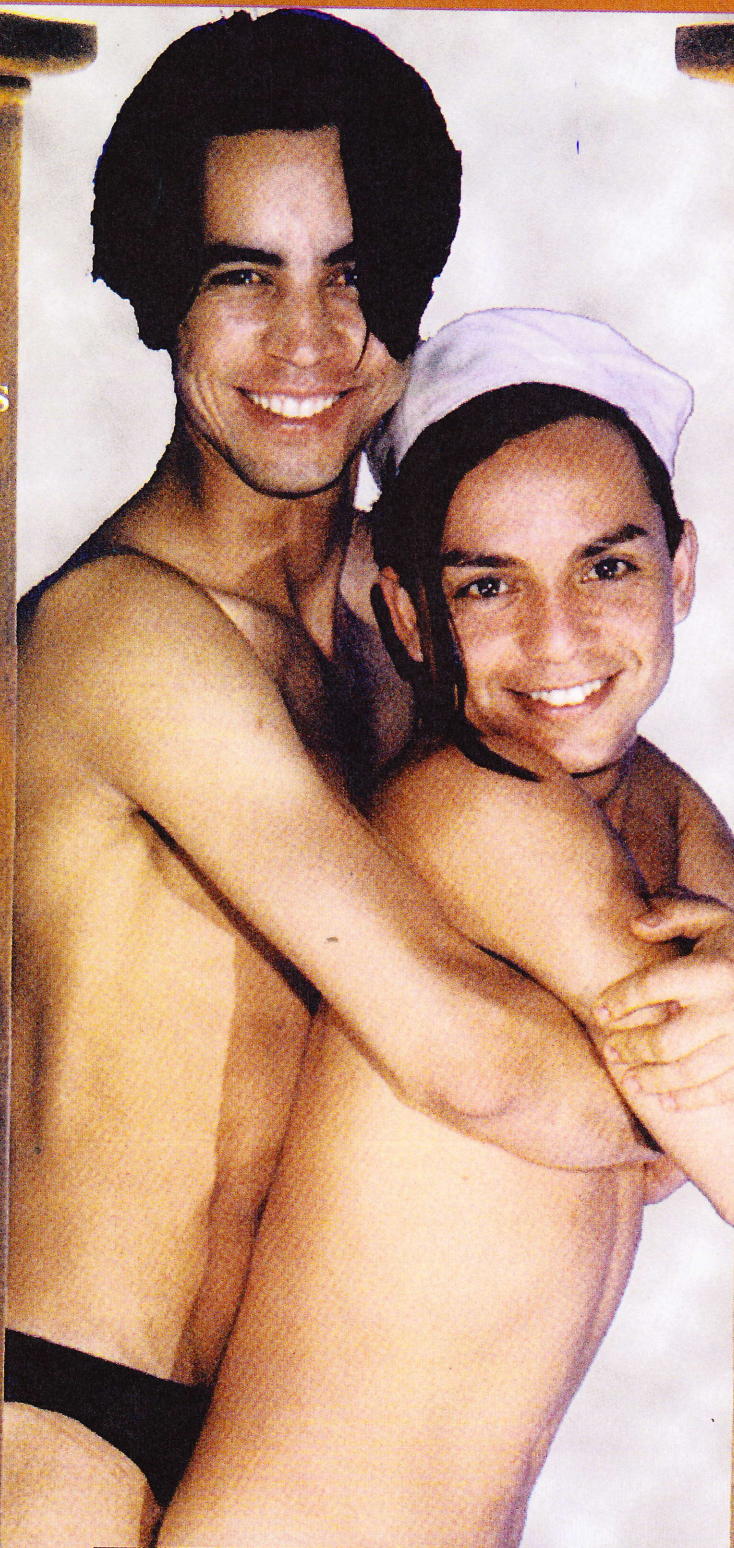
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